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(MBHB Case No. 03-748)

In re application of:

Fred Monroe et al.

Serial No.: 10/628,631

Filed: July 28, 2003

For: System and Method for Improved
Electronic Trading

Examiner: Alain I. Bashore

Group Art Unit: 3624

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Dear Sir:

In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above identified patent application:
 - a. Transmittal Letter in duplicate;
 - b. Response to Office Action mailed March 16, 2005
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Respectfully,

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RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION
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Examiner Bashore:

In response to the Office Action of March 16, 2005, Applicants submit the following:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this response.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this response.